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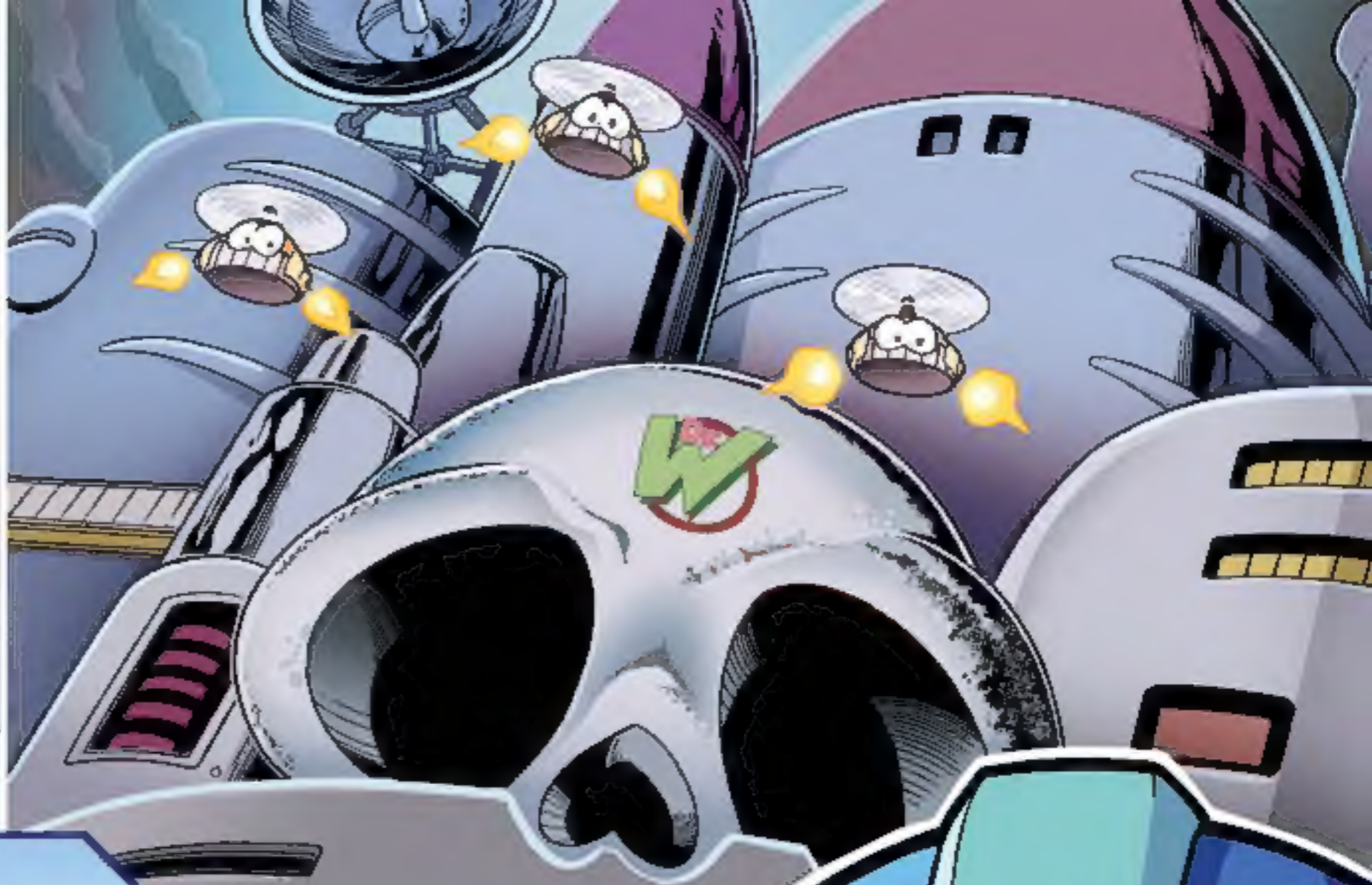
ROBERT

THOMAS





WELL...  
HERE YOU  
ARE, ROCK.



TIME  
TO FACE  
DR. WILY.





# LET THE GAMES BEGIN!

PART ONE

## TROUBLE GET!

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...IF I CAN GET TO HIM, THAT IS.

# WHOMP!

WHOA!



I DON'T HAVE TIME TO FIGHT YOU! PLEASE LET ME PASS!



# WHOMP! WHOMP! WHOMP!

WHERE'S THE DOOR? WHY ISN'T THERE A DOOR HERE?!







RRRUMMBLE!

YOU CAN'T KEEP ME OUT THAT EASILY, WILY!

WHAT A GLOOMY PLACE, THEN AGAIN, WHAT WAS I EXPECTING...

...LIGHT LABS?

HEY!

SLAM!





OW!  
WHAT'S  
GOING  
ON?!



OH...



...HELLO.

HOW DID  
IT COME  
TO THIS?

THINGS  
SEEMED  
SO SIMPLE  
A FEW DAYS  
AGO...



A FEW DAYS AGO...

IN THE YEAR 200X...

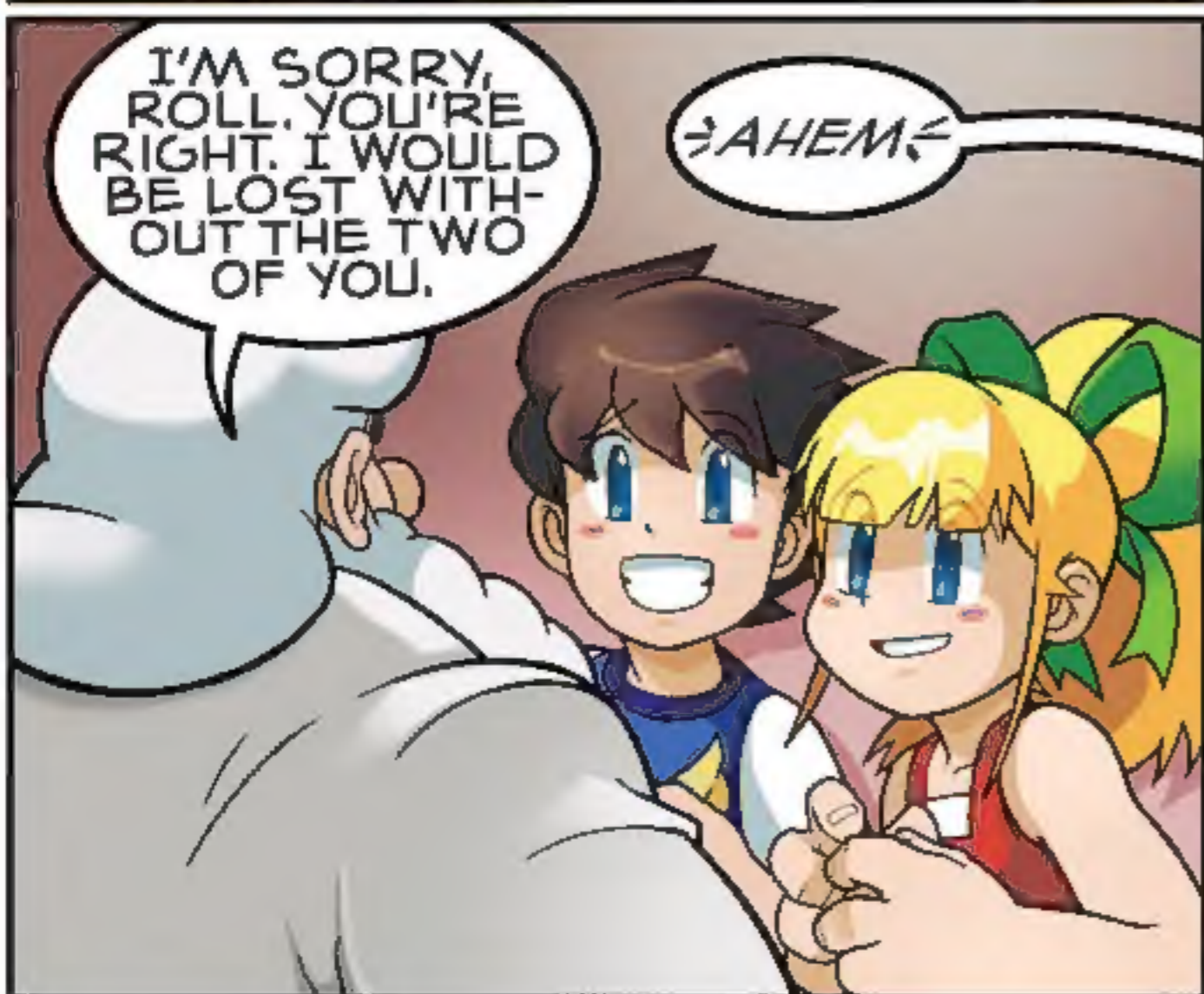
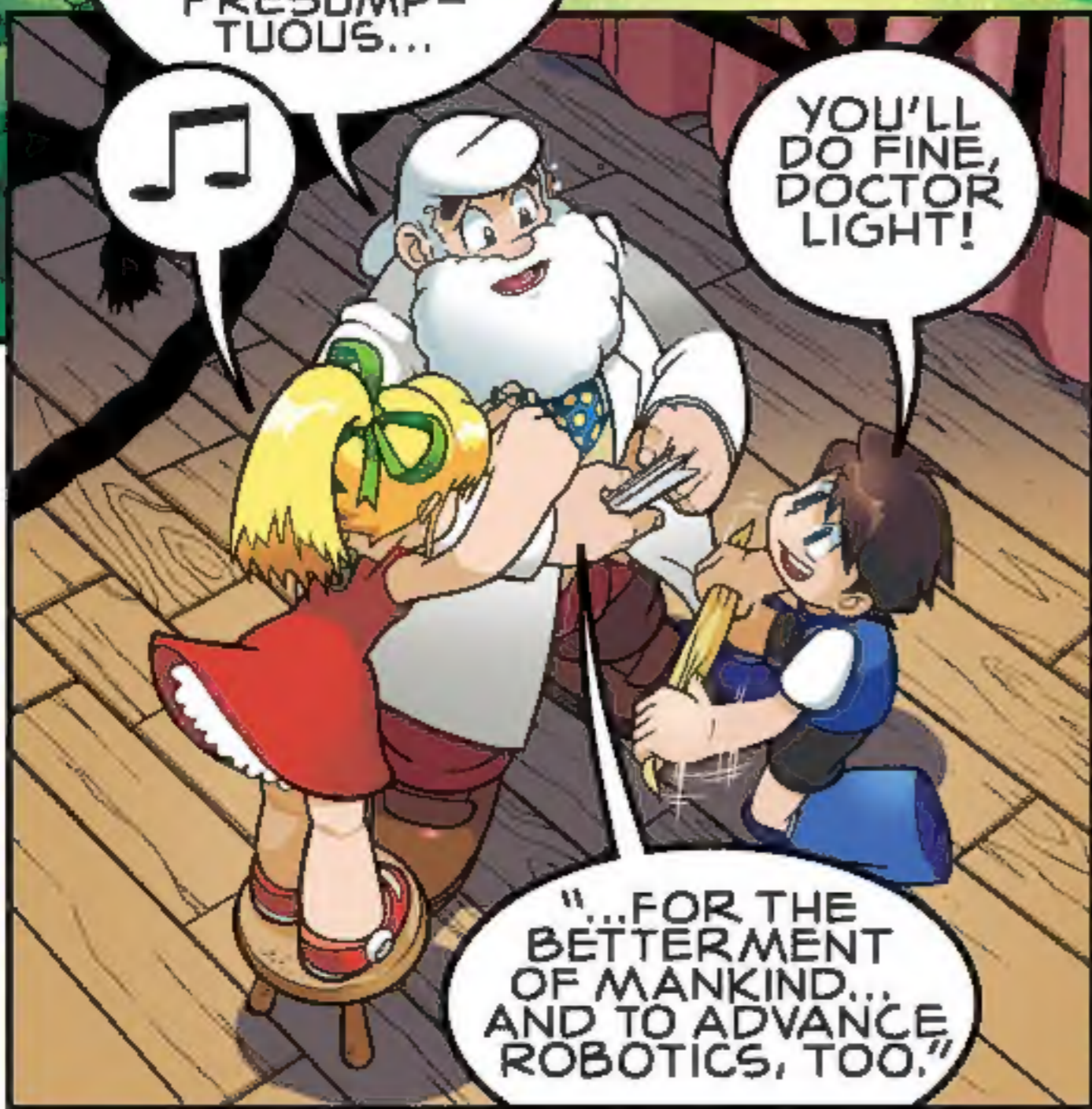
LIGHT LABS GRAND UNVEILING

"...A NEW AGE OF..." SHOULD THAT BE A "NEW ERA"? I DON'T WANT TO SOUND PRESUMPTUOUS...

**BREAKING NEWS**  
Titanium Park

**C8**

3:38 72°







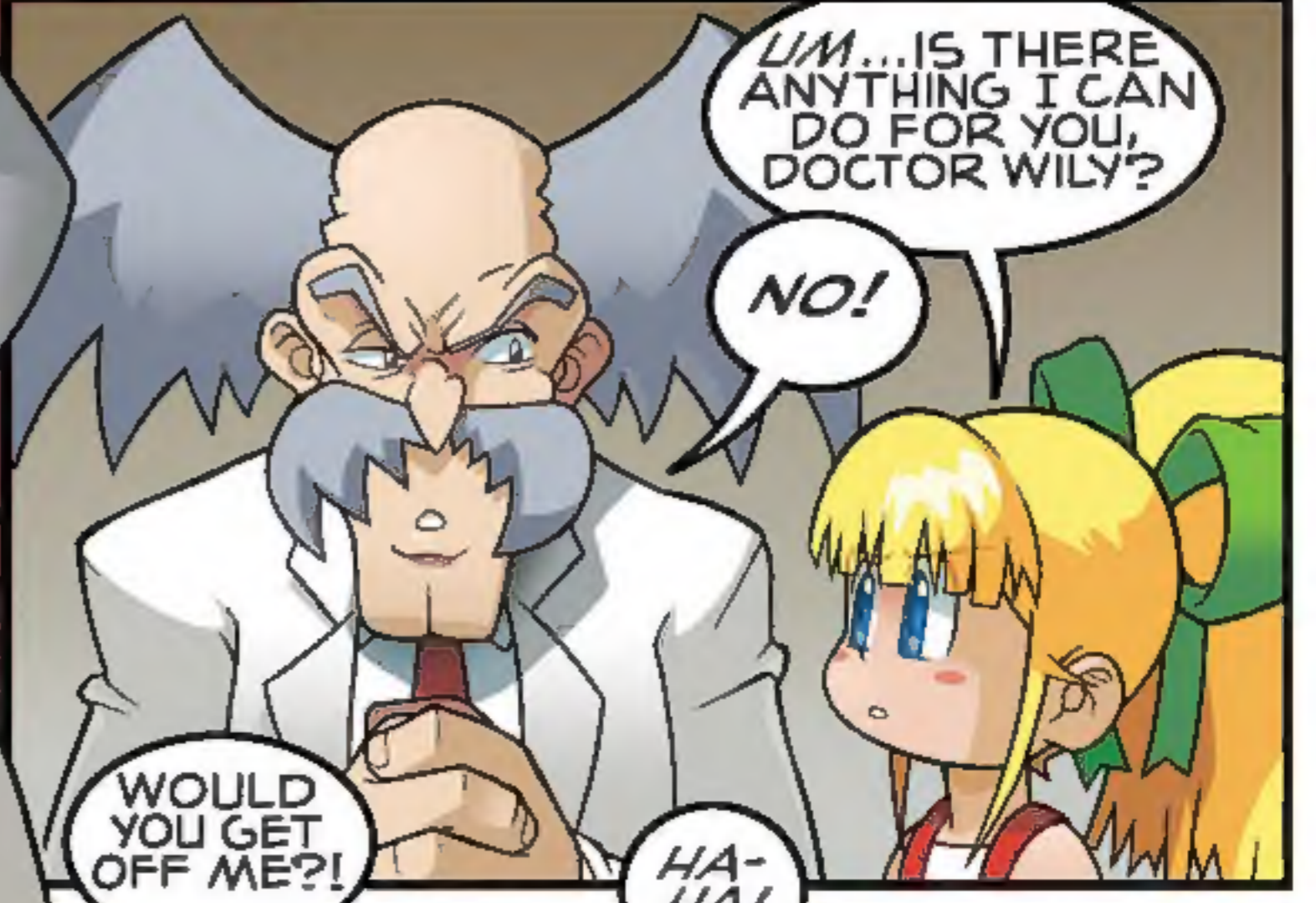
I WAS AFRAID YOU WOULDN'T MAKE IT, ALBERT!



SHINE YOUR SHOES, DOCTOR WILY?

ER, NO, THANK--

IT'S NO TROUBLE AT ALL!



L/M... IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO FOR YOU, DOCTOR WILY?

NO!

WOULD YOU GET OFF ME?!

HA-HA!



I'M SORRY ...?

CUT THEM SOME SLACK, ALBERT!



THEY'RE JUST AS EXCITED AS US!

IT'S A BIG DAY, AFTER ALL.

YES, ABOUT THAT...





I HELPED DESIGN THE ROBOT MASTER LINE, DIDN'T I?

YES.

I HELPED BUILD THEM, DIDN'T I?

~~SIGH~~ YES.

THEN I SHOULD BE ON THAT STAGE MAKING THE UNVEILING ANNOUNCEMENT WITH YOU!

ALBERT, WE'VE BEEN OVER THIS...

YOU LOST YOUR CREDENTIALS WHEN YOU DID THOSE UN-ETHICAL ROBOTICS EXPERIMENTS.

THAT KIND OF NEGATIVITY...

...WOULD UNDERMINE EVERYTHING WE'RE TRYING TO DO WITH LIGHT LABS.

OH, HOW SILLY OF ME, THOMAS. I FORGOT THAT "LIGHT" MAKES "RIGHT."

NOW HOLD ON...





I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN ALL THE WORK WE DID IN UNIVERSITY. YOU'VE MADE YOUR MISTAKES, BUT I KNOW YOU CAN MAKE UP FOR THEM.

HMPH.



YOU'RE AN EQUAL PARTNER IN LIGHT LABS WHERE IT COUNTS.

YOU'LL MISS OUT ON TODAY, BUT HISTORY WILL REMEMBER THE TWO MEN WHO CHANGED THE FUTURE!



JUST DON'T FLUB YOUR LINES, TOMMY-BOY!

HA-HA! LET'S NOT ASK FOR MIRACLES, AL.



IT'S TIME, DOCTOR LIGHT!

OH, BOY.

OKAY! HERE WE GO!

Handwritten text on a card: "Light Labs - 1234 Main St - City, State - Phone: 555-1234"



GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE! THANK YOU FOR COMING OUT TODAY FOR LIGHT LABS' MOST IMPORTANT PRODUCT UNVEILING IN THE HISTORY OF ...WELL... EVER!

HA HA HA HA HA!

OVER THE LAST CENTURY, ADVANCES IN ROBOTICS HAVE BROUGHT US A NEW ERA OF BETTER SERVICES AND SAFER WORK ENVIRONMENTS, AND HAVE AFFORDED US NEW LUXURIES.

I BELIEVE THE FIELD OF ROBOTICS CAN BE PUSHED FURTHER, THAT *WE* CAN BE PUSHED FURTHER FOR THE BETTERMENT OF MANKIND *AND* ROBOT-KIND.

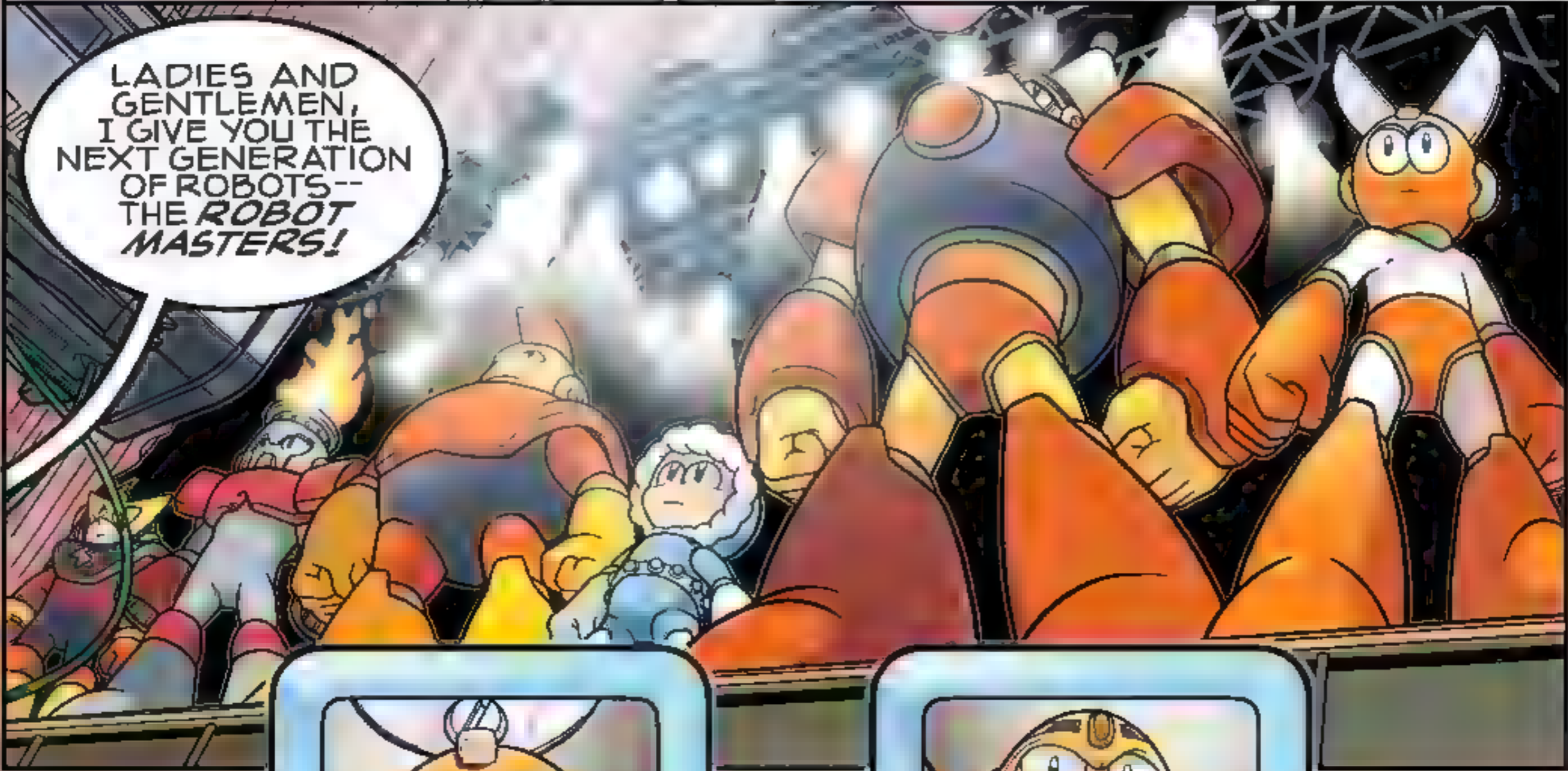
...AND WORKING HARD ALONGSIDE THEM, I BELIEVE WE CAN ACHIEVE MORE THAN A BETTER TOMORROW. I BELIEVE WE CAN ACHIEVE A *PERFECT* TOMORROW.

BUT THAT IS NOT ENOUGH.

BY PUSHING THE BOUNDARIES OF MODERN ROBOTICS...



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I GIVE YOU THE NEXT GENERATION OF ROBOTS-- THE **ROBOT MASTERS!**



**CUT MAN**  
--WHO WILL OVERSEE FORESTRY MANAGEMENT!



**GUTS MAN**  
--WHO WILL OVERSEE LAND RECLAMATION IN HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS!



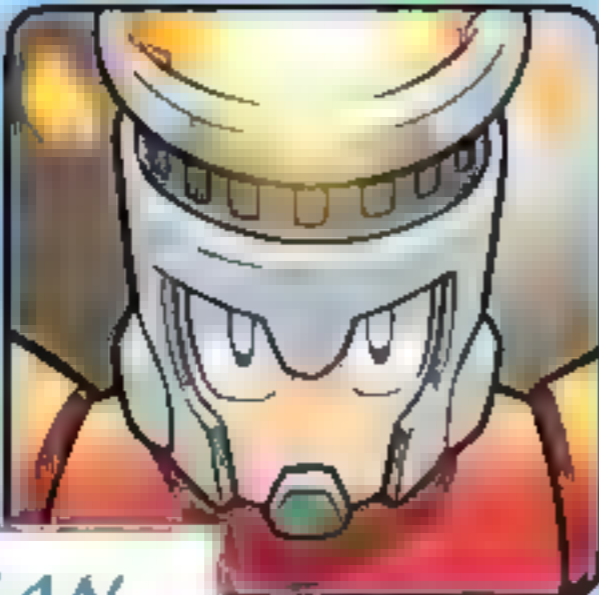
**ICE MAN**  
--WHO WILL PUSH ARCTIC AND ANT-ARCTIC EXPLORATION TO NEW HORIZONS.



**BOMB MAN**  
--WHO WILL REVOLUTIONIZE DEMOLITION AND EXCAVATION PRACTICES!



**FIRE MAN**  
--WHOSE INCINERATOR FUNCTIONS WILL PROMOTE WASTE REDUCTION!



**AND ELEC MAN**  
--WHO WILL REWRITE THE BOOK ON POWER MANAGEMENT!







THESE ROBOT MASTERS WILL ALL HAVE ADVANCED A.I. SYSTEMS\* THAT WILL ALLOW THEM TO PERFORM COMPLEX TASKS, INTERACT WITH PEOPLE, AND DIRECT OTHER ROBOTS IN THEIR DUTIES.

\*ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

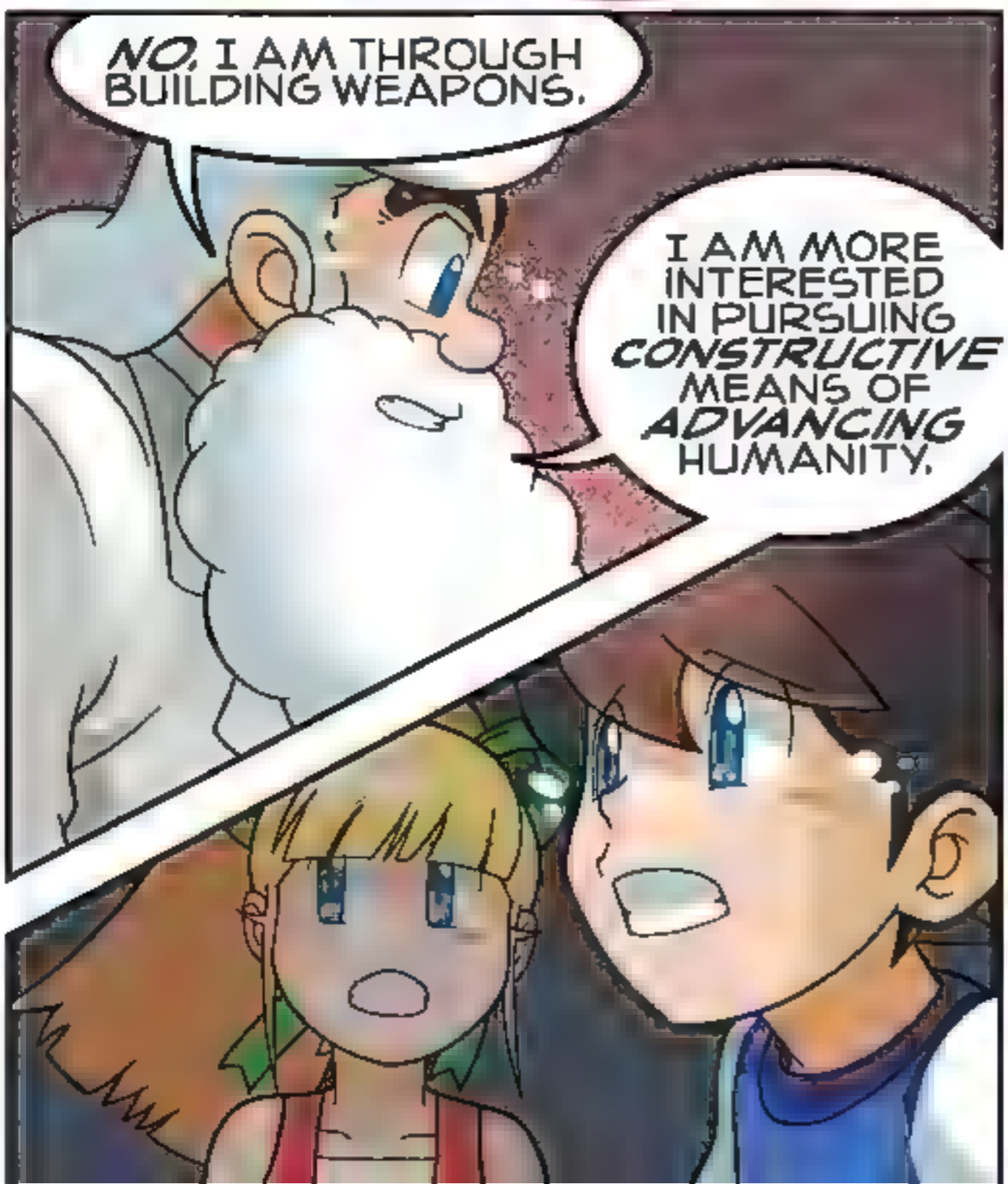
CLAP  
CLAP  
CLAP



I'LL NOW BE HAPPY TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS. YES, YOU, SIR?

RIPOT FROM THE *B&C* GAZETTE, EARLY IN YOUR CAREER...

...YOU BUILT ROBOTS FOR THE MILITARY, LIKE YOUR SO-CALLED "SNIPER JOE" MODEL. ARE THERE ANY PLANS ON USING THESE ADVANCED ROBOTS, Y'KNOW, FOR COVERT WAR OPERATIONS?



NO, I AM THROUGH BUILDING WEAPONS.

I AM MORE INTERESTED IN PURSUING CONSTRUCTIVE MEANS OF ADVANCING HUMANITY.



PEH!

NEXT QUESTION, PLEASE?



THAT EVENING...

LIGHT LABS.  
HOME OF  
DR. LIGHT

WHAT A DAY, WOULDN'T YOU SAY, ROCK?

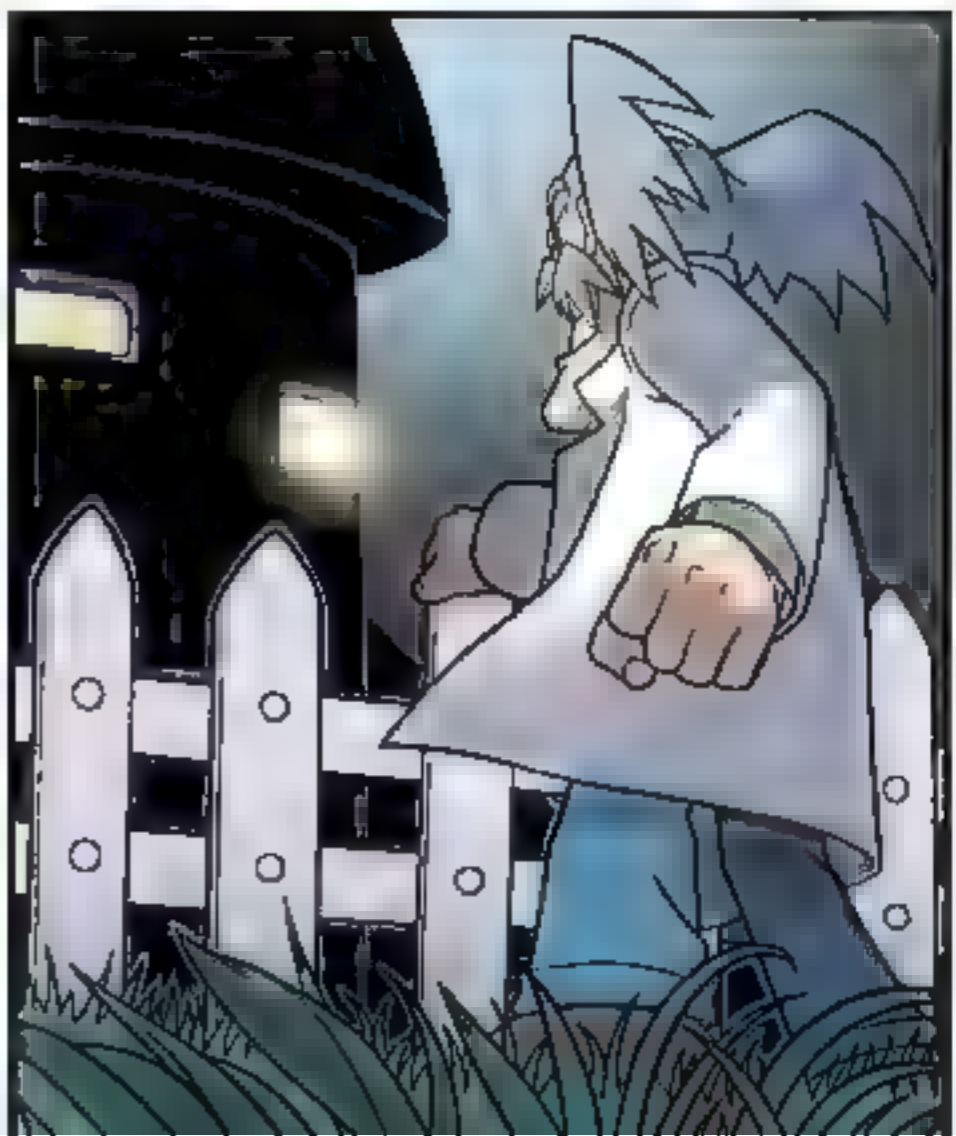
IT SURE WAS, DOCTOR LIGHT. BUT WAS IT A GOOD DAY?

I WOULD SAY IT WAS A RESOUNDING SUCCESS. WHAT DO YOU THINK WENT WRONG?

WELL...YOU SEEMED UPSET BY THAT ONE REPORTER'S QUESTIONS...

...ABOUT BUILDING ROBOTS FOR WARFARE.

AH. THAT.





I BELIEVE VIOLENCE SHOULD BE SAVED AS THE ABSOLUTE **LAST** RESORT. I BUILT THINGS I MAY NOT HAVE AGREED WITH IN THE PAST...

...TO START LIGHT LABS. I AM NOT PROUD OF THAT.

...TO RAISE THE MONEY AND NOTORIETY I NEEDED...

BUT THEN I BUILT YOU TWO--MY FINEST CREATIONS. AND WITH YOU CHILDREN, I SAW THE POTENTIAL FOR A BETTER FUTURE.

WHERE ROBOTS ARE MORE THAN JUST TOOLS, AND PEOPLE ARE BETTER FOR IT.

GOOD NIGHT, DOCTOR LIGHT!

GOOD NIGHT, CHILDREN...

**TOMORROW IS A BRIGHT NEW DAY!**



THE BRIGHT  
NEW MORNING

ZZZZ  
SNRK!  
WHUH--?

WHAT  
HAPPENED  
TO THE  
ROBOT  
MASTERS?

WAKE UP!  
THE ROBOT  
MASTERS ARE  
GONE!

I DON'T  
KNOW!

I CAME  
IN TO CLEAN  
THIS MORNING,  
AND...

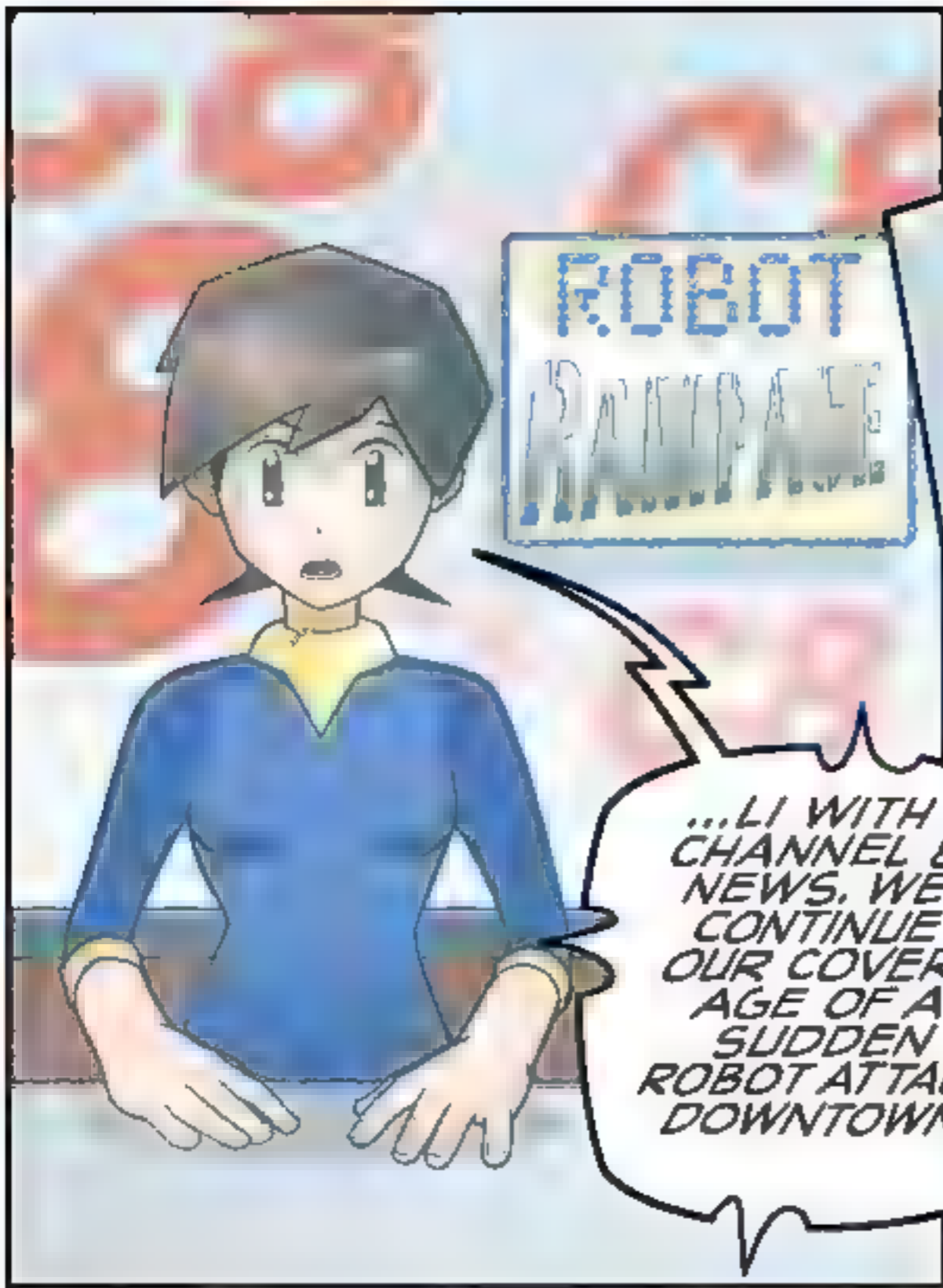
DOCTOR  
LIGHT!  
DOCTOR  
LIGHT!

YOU  
NEED TO  
SEE THE  
MORNING  
NEWS  
RIGHT  
NOW!

OH,  
NO...  
NO,  
NO...  
NO...



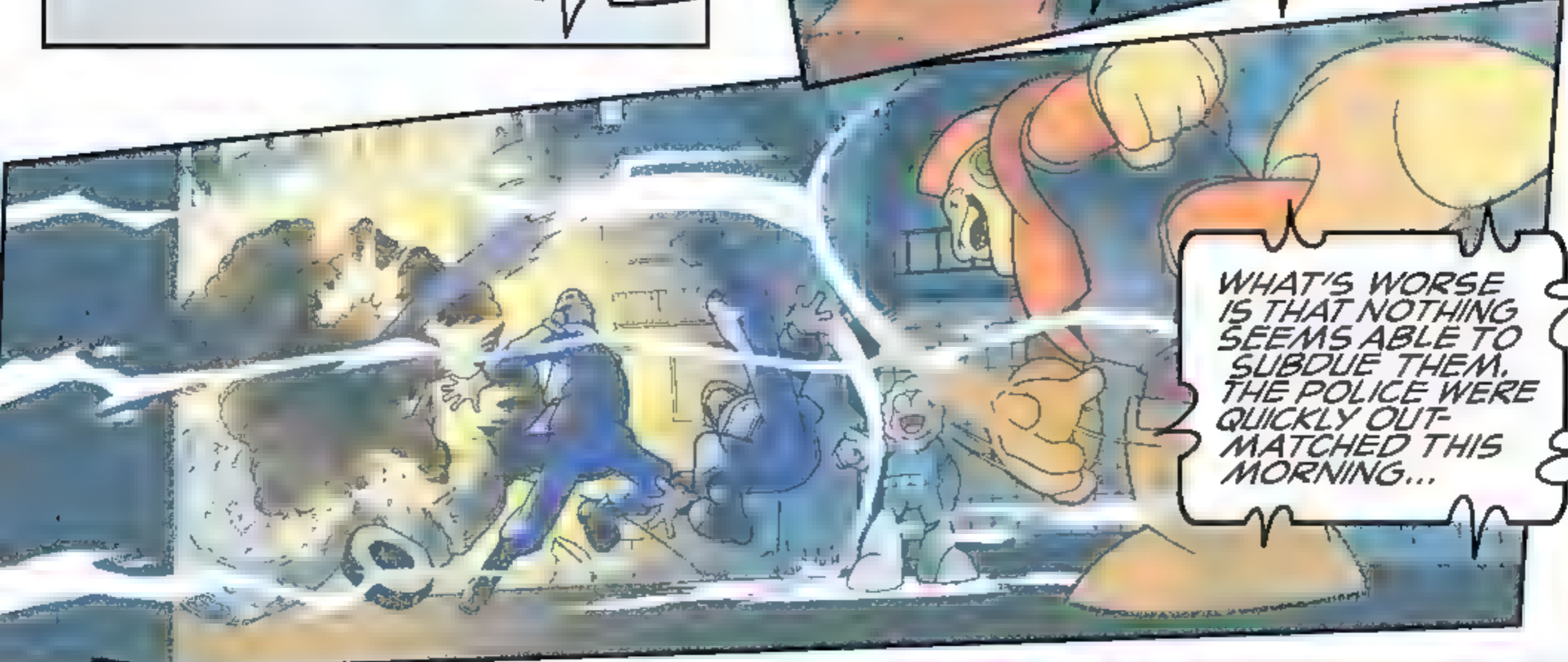




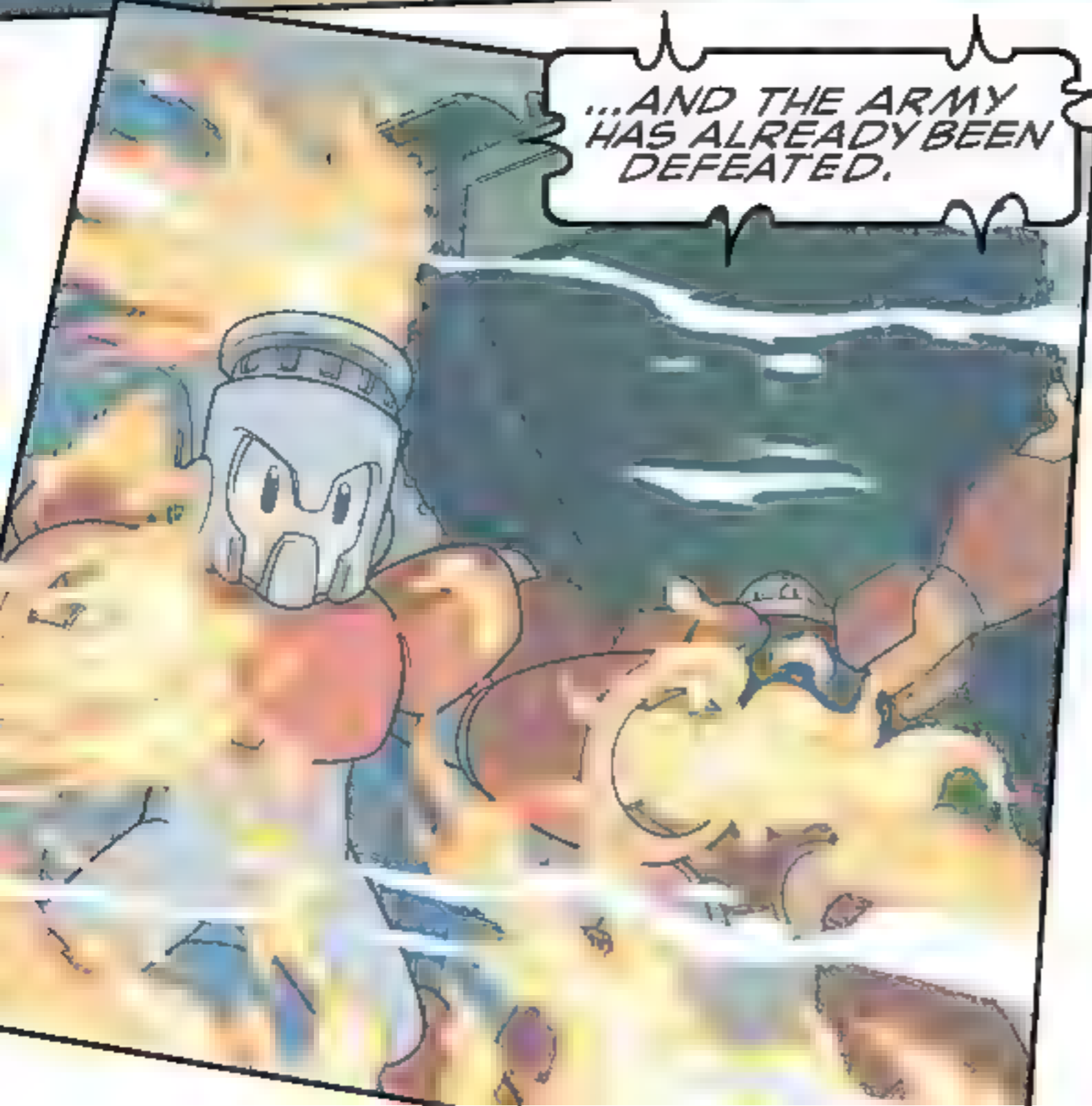
...LI WITH CHANNEL 8 NEWS, WE CONTINUE OUR COVERAGE OF A SUDDEN ROBOT ATTACK DOWNTOWN.



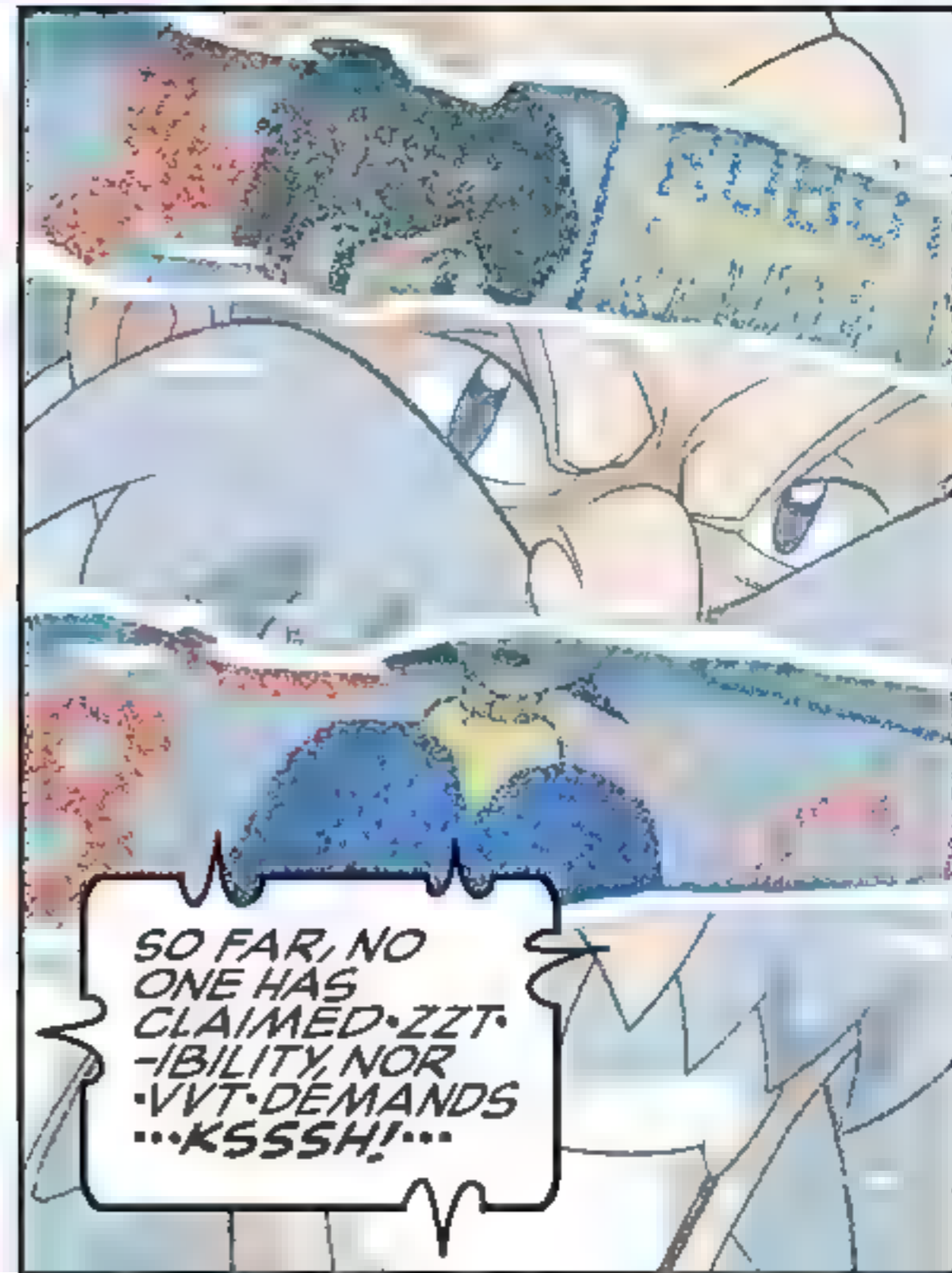
AS YOU CAN SEE, THE ROBOTS ARE CAUSING MASSIVE DAMAGE AND POSSESS POWERS UNLIKE ANYTHING WE'VE EVER SEEN...



WHAT'S WORSE IS THAT NOTHING SEEMS ABLE TO SUBDUDE THEM. THE POLICE WERE QUICKLY OUTMATCHED THIS MORNING...




...AND THE ARMY HAS ALREADY BEEN DEFEATED.



SO FAR, NO ONE HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY, NOR ANY DEMANDS... KSSSH!...





WHA-HA-HA-HA!  
DO NOT ATTEMPT  
TO LOOK AWAY,  
FOOLS! DOCTOR  
ALBERT W. WILY  
CONTROLS THE AIR-  
WAVES NOW! AND  
SOON--THE  
WORLD!

NO DOUBT YOU'VE  
SEEN MY ROBOT  
MASTERS AT WORK!  
BUILT BY MY GENIUS,  
THEY ARE UN-  
STOPPABLE! ALL  
OF THIS VIOLENCE  
CAN BE AVOIDED...

ALL I DEMAND IS  
COMPLETE  
AND  
IMMEDIATE SUR-  
RENDER FROM THE  
WORLD'S LEADERS,  
AND TO BE RECOG-  
NIZED AS THE  
GREATEST GENIUS  
IN THE HISTORY OF  
MANKIND!



UM... SIT  
DOWN,  
DOCTOR.

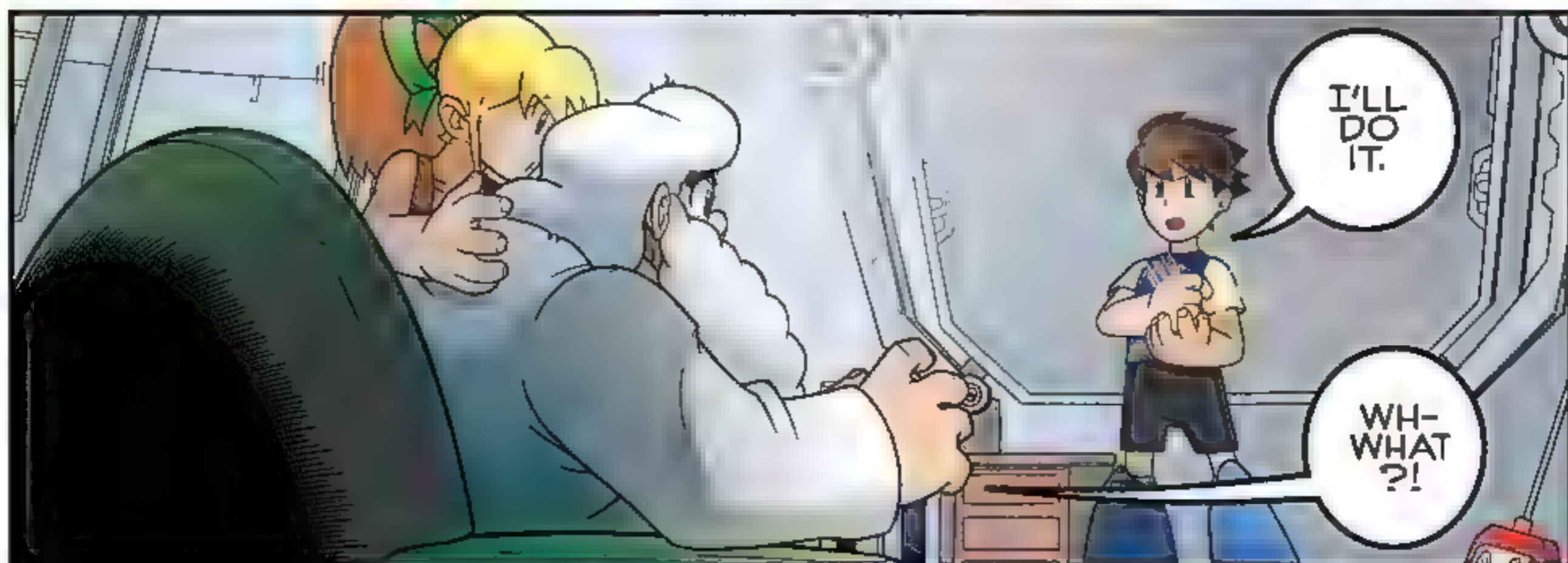
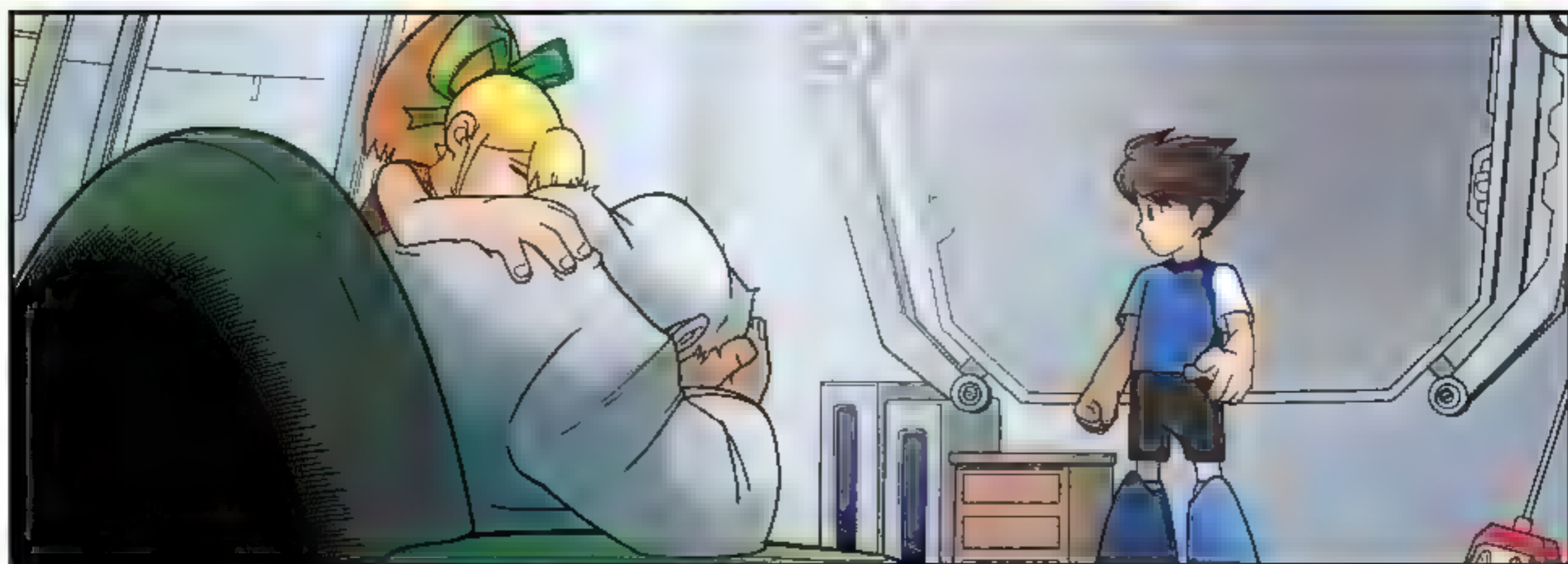
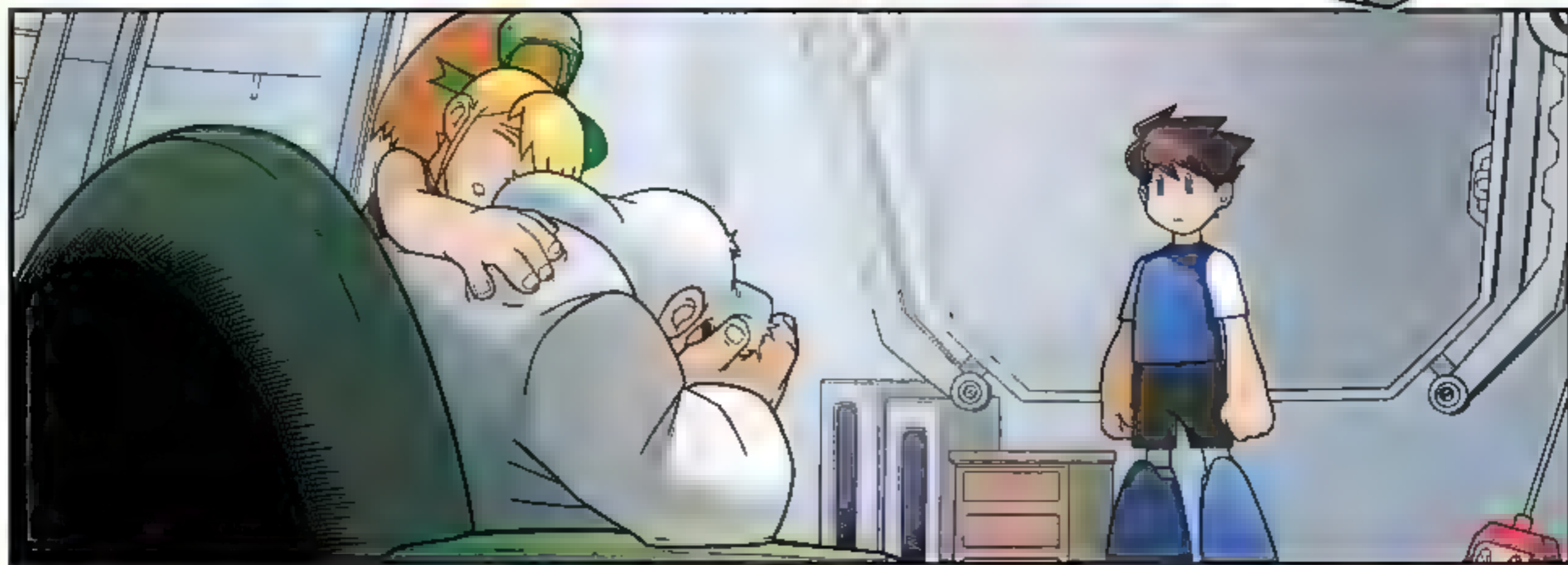
TURN  
IT OFF,  
PLEASE.

RIGHT  
AWAY!

OTHERWISE, THIS  
MORNING WILL  
JUST BE A TASTE  
OF THE TERROR  
I'LL UNLEASH!  
HA HA HA HA!

CLICK









WHAT DOCTOR WILY IS DOING IS **WRONG**. YOU BUILT US JUST LIKE YOU BUILT THE ROBOT MASTERS. SO YOU CAN MAKE ME ABLE TO STOP THEM.

ROCK...

WHAT ARE YOU THINKING? AREN'T YOU SCARED YOU'LL GET HURT?

WELL, SURE I'M SCARED. AND I DON'T WANT TO HURT ANYONE.


I KNOW YOU DON'T WANT TO MAKE FIGHTING ROBOTS ANYMORE. AND IF I CAN GET THE OTHERS TO STOP BEING BAD, I WILL. BUT IF I HAVE TO FIGHT... THEN I HAVE TO FIGHT.




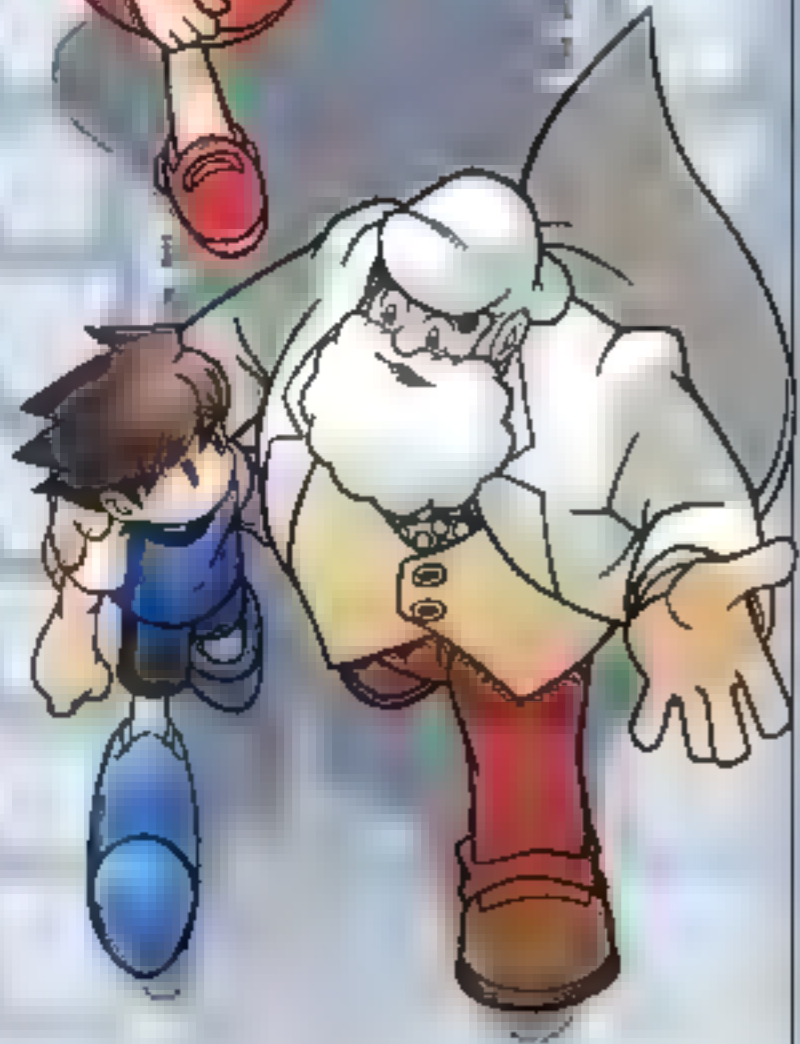
ROCK, MY BOY, YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT!

OTHERWISE, WHO WILL HELP EVERYONE?






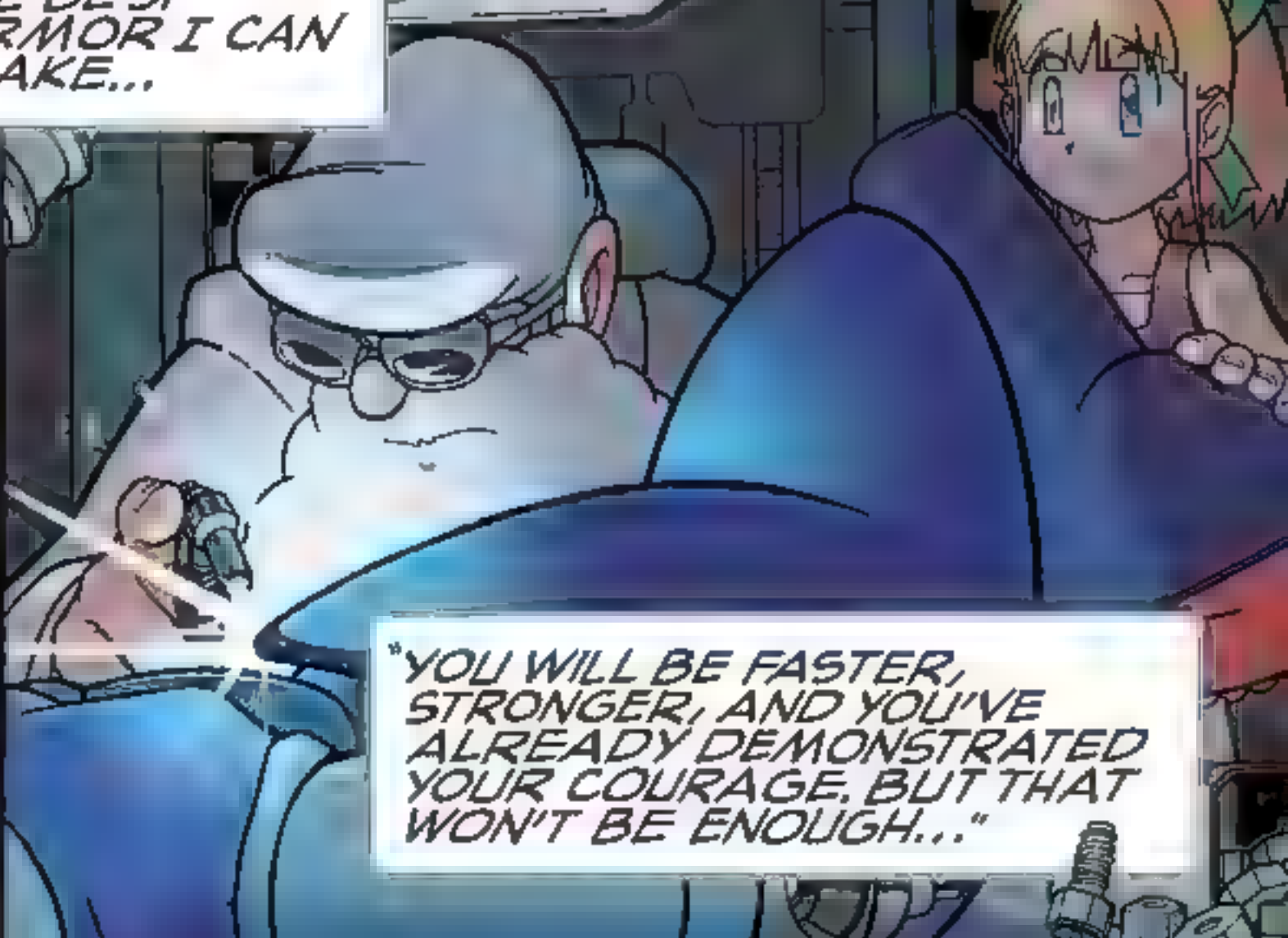
*"I KNOW ALBERT. IF HE'S GONE THIS FAR, HE IS COMMITTED TO HIS SCHEME. THERE WILL BE NO REASONING WITH HIM."*



*"YOU CAN'T GO AS YOU ARE. I BUILT YOU TO HELP AROUND THE HOUSE AND LAB, BUT I CAN MAKE SURE YOU'RE PREPARED. I'LL ENHANCE YOUR SOLAR REACTOR..."*

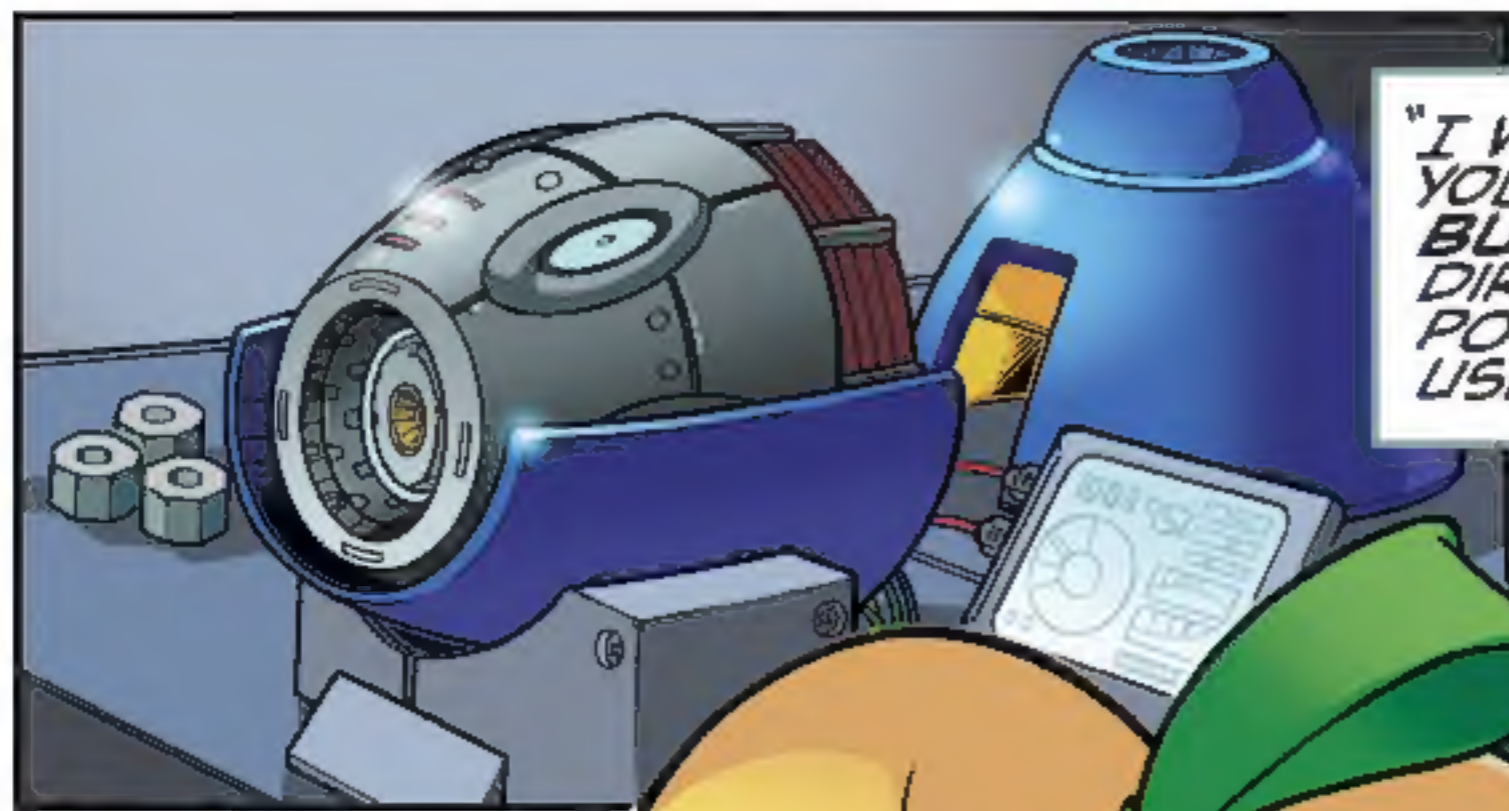


*"ROBOT HARDINESS WILL NOT BE ENOUGH. I WILL GIVE YOU THE BEST ARMOR I CAN MAKE..."*



*"YOU WILL BE FASTER, STRONGER, AND YOU'VE ALREADY DEMONSTRATED YOUR COURAGE. BUT THAT WON'T BE ENOUGH..."*



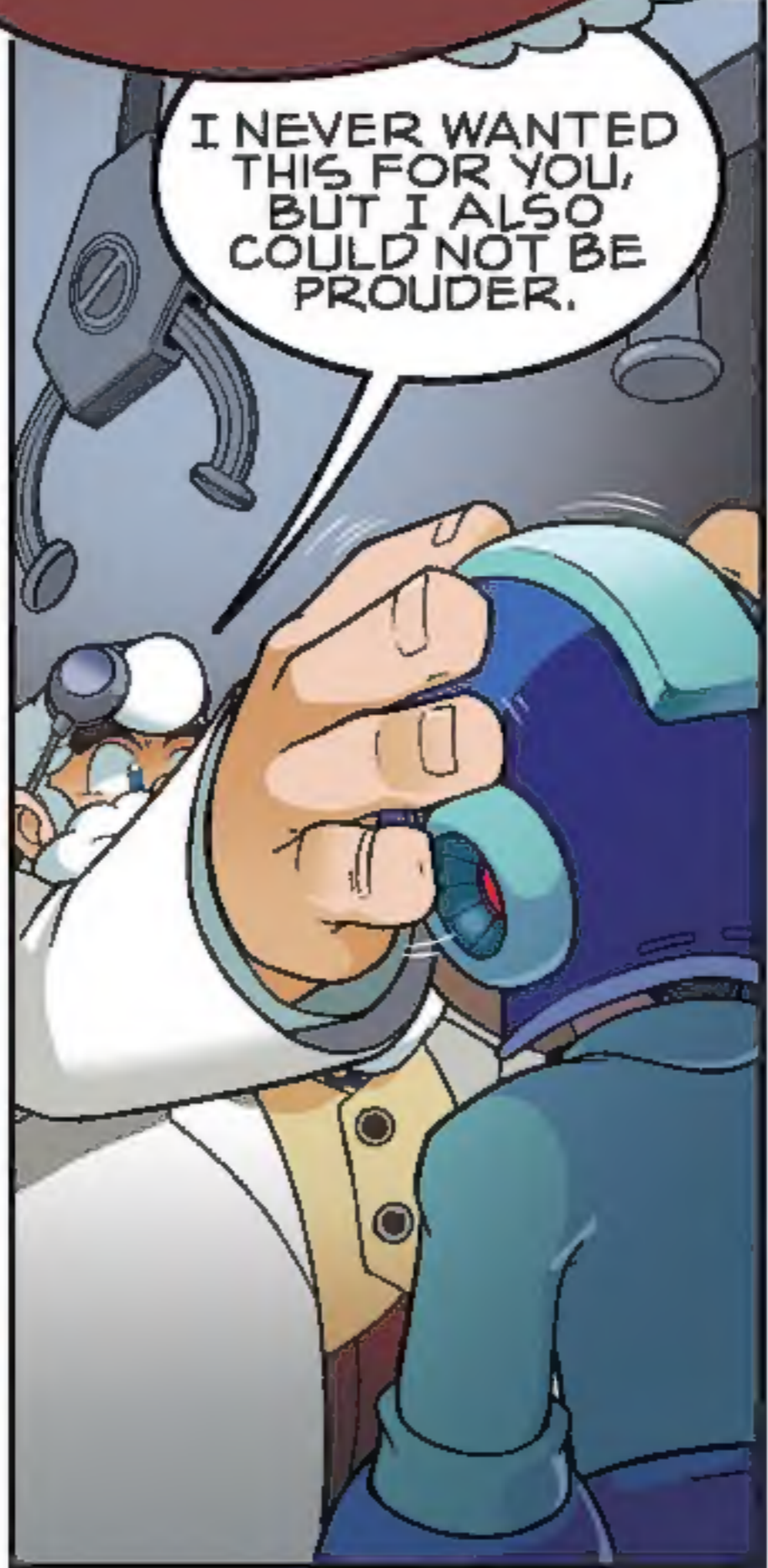


"I WILL ARM YOU. YOUR NEW MEGA BUSTER WILL TAP DIRECTLY FROM YOUR POWER CELLS, SO USE IT WISELY."

"IT WILL BE ABLE TO HOLD A CHARGE IF YOU NEED TO PACK MORE OF A PUNCH, BUT WHEN IT'S NOT ENOUGH..."



"...YOU CAN USE THIS UNIQUE COPY CHIP TO ADAPT THE ABILITIES OF THE OTHER ROBOT MASTERS. PERHAPS IT WILL GIVE YOU THE EDGE YOU NEED."



I NEVER WANTED THIS FOR YOU, BUT I ALSO COULD NOT BE PROUDER.



I BUILT YOU AS ROCK, AFTER MY LOVE FOR MUSIC.

YOU ARE SOMETHING VERY DIFFERENT NOW.

YOU SAID MY ARM-CANNON IS THE "MEGA BUSTER," RIGHT?



A comic book panel showing Mega Man in a control room. He is a blue robot with a helmet, standing in the center. To his left is a woman with blonde hair and a green visor. To his right is a man with a white beard and a grey suit. The background is filled with various control panels, buttons, and cables. A speech bubble from the man on the right says, "THEN YOU CAN CALL ME MEGA MAN!".

THEN YOU  
CAN CALL ME  
**MEGA  
MAN!**

**THE ADVENTURE IS *JUST BEGINNING!*  
COME BACK *NEXT TIME* AS *MEGA MAN*  
BEGINS HIS FIGHT AGAINST *DR. WILY!***



# NEXT ISSUE

LET THE GAMES BEGIN PART 2



## THE STORY CONTINUES...

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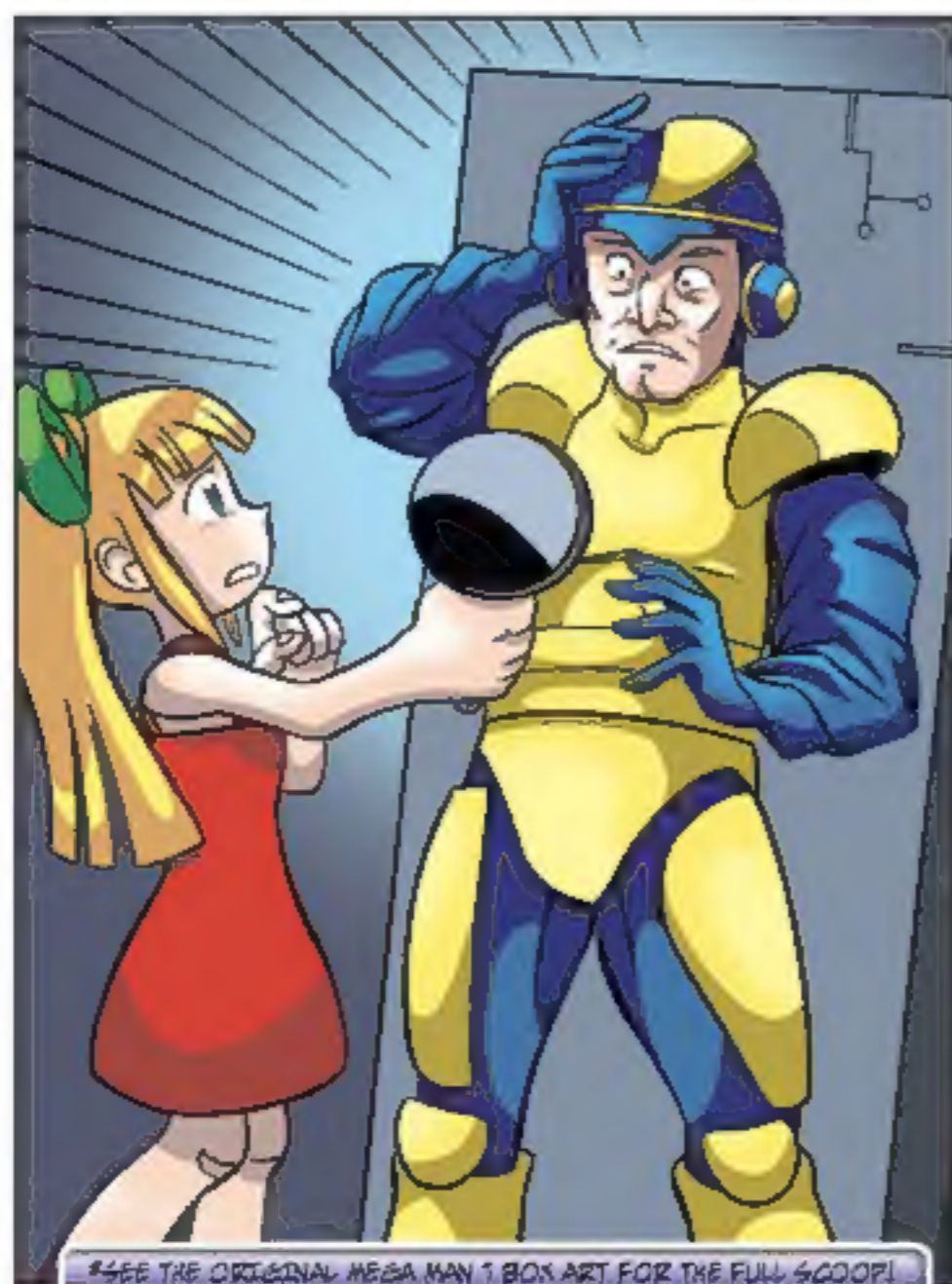
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PART 2

THE ADVENTURE IS ONLY JUST BEGINNING!

BE HERE NEXT MONTH AS ROCK CONFRONTS DR. WILY'S EVIL ROBOT MASTERS!

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 6/14/11!



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